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SUBJECT: MEDIA ATTACKS ON ARAB MODERATES AND U.S. CONTINUE

1. ETHIOPIAN MEDIA ATTACKS ON ARAB MODERATES HAVE CONTINUED DURING PAST SEVERAL WEEKS. WHILE GENERAL THEME THAT REACTIONARY ARAB STATES SUPPORTED BY CIA AND U.S. IMPERIALISM ATTEMPTING TO DISMEMBER ETHIOPIA, CUT ETHIOPIAN ACCESS TO RED SEA AND CRUSH REVOLUTION CONTINUES, THERE HAVE BEEN SOME QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE SHIFTS. NUMBER AND LENGTH OF ATTACKS HAVE SLOWLY BEEN INCREASING, WITH ATTACKS NOW CENTERING ON ARAB LEADERSHIP WHO FREQUENTLY CHARACTERIZED AS INSTRUMENTS, IF NOT ACTUAL AGENTS OF CIA.

2. MOST RECENT ATTACK IS LEAD ARTICLE MAY 15
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ETHIOPIAN HERALD IN WHICH SUDANESE FONMIN MANSOUR KHALID DEPICTED AS "CONFIRMED" CIA AGENT. MEDIA ALSO INCREASINGLY FOND PORTRAYING SADAT AS "REACTIONARY" HEIR OF "REVOLUTIONARY" NASSER. MAY 15 HERALD CARRIED LARGE PHOTO OF NASSER WITH QUOTE FROM PMAC CHAIRMAN MENGISTU THAT "WE DO NOT BELIEVE ANTI-IMPERIALIST STRUGGLE OF POLITICALLY

CONSCIOUS EGYPTIAN BROAD MASSES BURIED WITH REMAINS
OF RESPECTED LEADER, PRESIDENT NASSER."

3. KUWAIT HAS ALSO RETURNED RECENTLY TO LIST OF
REACTIONARY ARABS, NO DOUBT DUE TO ITS SUPPORT FOR
ERITREAN SECESSIONISTS. MEDIA HAVE ALSO ATTACKED
KING KHALID AND ALMOST DAILY ATTACKS ON MIMIRI
CONTINUE.

4. MAY 15 HERALD ALSO CARRIED ARTICLE ENTITLED "CIA,
THE ADMIRAL AND TURBID WAVES" BY A. VLADIMIROV WHICH
STATES CIA UNDER ADMIRAL TURNER CONTINUING ITS
SUBVERSIVE PRACTICES. WHILE ATTACK CENTERS ON RADIO
LIBERTY AND RADIO FREE EUROPE, THEME OF U.S. USE OF
RADIO BROADCASTS FOR "IDEOLOGICAL SUBVERSION" FITS
IN WELL WITH EPMG VIEWS OF "DISTORTED" WESTERN MEDIA.

5. COMMENT: DURING PAST SEVERAL MONTHS MEDIA HERE
HAVE BECOME EXCESSIVELY REPETITIVE (AND DULL) AS
THEY CONCENTRATE ON SELLING MAIN THEME OF U.S.-
CONSERVATIVE ARAB CONSPIRACY TO DISMEMBER ETHIOPIA
AND CRUSH ETHIOPIAN REVOLUTION.
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